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The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd Chief Clerk/Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, SC 29210

Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC for Approval of Rider 10,

Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency;

Docket No. 2018-255-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Please find attached for electronic filing with the South Carolina Public Service Commission ("Commission") a copy of the Petition to Intervene of Walmart Inc. ("Walmart"), in the above-referenced case. By copy of this letter, I am serving all parties of record via Electronic Mail and First-Class Mail.

Please contact us if you have any questions concerning this filing.

Sincerely,

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By

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION DOCKET NO. 2018-255-E

IN RE: Application of Duke Energy Progress)	PETITION TO INTERVENE OF
LLC for Approval of Rider 10, Demand-Side)	WALMART INC.
Management and Energy Efficiency)	

Pursuant to Rule 103-825 and other applicable rules and regulations of the South Carolina Public Service Commission ("Commission"), Walmart Inc. ("Walmart"), by its attorneys, respectfully requests that the Commission permit it to intervene and become a party in the above-captioned matter. In support of its Petition to Intervene, Walmart submits as follows:

- 1. On August 1, 2018, Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP" or "Progress"), filed an Application for approval of Rider 10, Demand Side Management ("DSM") Programs and Energy Efficiency ("EE") ("Application"). The Application was filed pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-37-20, 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-819 and 10-823, the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina.
- Walmart is a global retailer of goods and services and also operates throughout the United States. Walmart's principal energy management office is located at 2001 SE 10th Street, Bentonville, AR 72716-0550.
- 3. Walmart has the privilege of providing its retail services in the State of South Carolina. Walmart is a large commercial customer of DEP. Walmart has 13 retail stores and related facilities in South Carolina that are served by DEP. Walmart purchases approximately 40 million kWh annually from DEP. Electricity is one of the largest operating costs faced by Walmart. As a result, any modification to DEP's electric rates and terms of service has the potential to substantially impact Walmart's operations in South Carolina. Further, Walmart is dedicated to

its own investment in DSM and EE and therefore is very interested in the substance of in this case. As such, Walmart has a direct and substantial interest in the outcome of this proceeding. In addition, as a large commercial customer that purchases substantial amounts of electric and related services from DEP pursuant to multiple accounts at multiple locations, Walmart has an interest in this proceeding that is not represented by any other party.

4. The attorneys representing Walmart in this proceeding are:

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Ms. Eaton is authorized to accept service of papers in this proceeding on behalf of Walmart. Walmart also respectfully requests that Mr. Williamson and Ms. Harris be added to the service list as Walmart may seek Mr. Williamson's and/or Ms. Harris' admission to appear before the Commission *pro hac vice* in the near future.

This Petition to Intervene is timely filed as interventions are due by September 19,
 2018, per Notice of the Commission.

WHEREFORE, Walmart Inc., respectfully request that it be granted leave to intervene and be made a party to the above-captioned proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN RE: Application of Duke Energy Progress)	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
LLC for Approval of Rider 10, Demand-Side)	
Management and Energy Efficiency)	

I hereby certify that I have this day served one (1) copy of the foregoing document upon the following parties to this proceeding via Electronic Mail and First-Class Mail:

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